

Essential Plan (EP) Guidance 1.1

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EP Guidance 1.1: Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) Wrap Payments

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Federal law 42 U.S.C. §1396a (bb) (5) (A) requires states to make supplemental payments to an FQHC or RHC pursuant to a contract between the FQHC and a Managed Care Organization (MCO) and/or Independent Practice Association (IPA) for the amount, if any, that the FQHCs blended Medicaid rate exceeds the amount of payments provided under the managed care contract for the services rendered by the FQHC. Please note that for Essential Plan Rating Groups 3 and 4 (lawfully present Aliessa immigrants 0% - 138% of FPL) the Department of Health (DOH) will continue to issue these supplemental payments to FQHCs.